



RANKINGS

Utah is fourth this year. Its strengths include the lowest prevalence of smoking in the country at 13.2 percent of the population, the lowest risk for heart disease at 19 percent below the national average, the lowest rate of heart disease at 197.9 deaths per 100,000 population and the lowest cancer deaths at 167.8 deaths per 100,000 population. It is also among the top 10 states for low violent crime, strong high school graduation rates, few limited activity days, low total mortality, low infant mortality and a low rate of premature death. Its challenges are low adequacy of prenatal care at 57.6 percent of pregnant women receiving adequate care and a high uninsured population at 14.8 percent. Adequacy of prenatal care also indicates health disparities within the state with only 39.9 percent of pregnant American Indian women receiving adequate care compared to 58.4 percent of pregnant white women. In the past year, motor vehicle deaths declined from 1.7 to 1.3 deaths per 100,000,000 miles driven. Since 1990, heart disease has dropped from 282.6 to 197.9 deaths per 100,000 population and motor vehicle deaths have dropped from 2.3 to 1.3 deaths per 100,000,000 miles driven.

KANKINGS				WILASUNLINI DAIA		
2002	2001	1990	RISK FACTORS	2002	2001	1990
1	1	1	Prevalence of Smoking (Percent of population)	13.2	12.9	14.1
11	28	21	Motor Vehicle Deaths (Deaths per 100,000,000 miles driven)	1.3	1.7	2.3
10	12	9	Violent Crime (Offenses per 100,000 population)	256	276	230
1	1	13	Risk for Heart Disease (Percent above or below national average)	-19	-18	-4
2	4	10	High School Graduation (Percent of incoming ninth graders)	83.9	83.2	82.5
20	14	4	Children in Poverty (percent of persons under age 18)	12.3	11.6	10.3
49	49	16	Adequacy of Prenatal Care (Percent of pregnant women)	57.6	61.4	72.4
34	26	26	Lack of Health Insurance (Percent without health insurance)	14.8	14.2	11.9
20	29	24*	Support for Public Health Care (Ratio)	1.60	1.56	0.7*
			OUTCOMES			
35	35	44*	Occupational Fatalities (Deaths per 100,000 workers)	6.4	6.8	14.7*
1	1	6*	Limited Activity Days (Days in last 30 days)	2.8	2.8	2.7*
1	1	12	Heart Disease (Deaths per 100,000 population)	197.9	197.7	282.6
1	1	1	Cancer Deaths (Deaths per 100,000 population)	167.8	160.9	144.8
16	16	24	Infectious Disease (Cases per 100,000 population)	13.1	15.9	30.4
5	6	5	Total Mortality (Deaths per 100,000 population)	799.3	790.9	802.3
5	3	5	Infant Mortality (Deaths per 1,000 live births)	5.1	5.2	8.7
8	7	5	Premature Death (Years lost per 100,000 population)	6,503	6,137	7,038
4	5	3	OVERALL			

^{*} Data sources and/or methodology may not be comparable for this year.

MEASUREMENT DATA